

# Saint Basil Greek Orthodox Church

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Sunday, August 1, 2021

Saints and Feasts:

◇ 6th Sunday of Matthew

◇ Procession of the Precious  
Cross

He puts an end to the woman's fear ... He sets her right, in respect of her thinking to be hid ... He exhibits her faith to all, so as to provoke the rest also to emulation ...

**St. John Chrysostom**

*Homily 31 on Matthew 9, 4th Century*

In this case indeed He discloses also another sign, and that no small one, of His own Godhead, and of His equality in honor with the Father. For whereas they said, "To unbind sins pertains to God only," He not only unbinds sins, but also before this He makes another kind of display in a thing which pertained to God only; the publishing the secrets in the heart. For neither had they uttered what they were thinking.

**St. John Chrysostom**

*Homily 29 on Matthew 9, 4th Century St. John Chrysostom*



As a service to our parishioners who are unable to physically attend Divine Services at St. Basil, a Live Stream of the Services can be found on the Church Facebook Page.

**Narthex Duty:**

Ed Franklin

**Welcoming Ministry:**

Melita Green

**Orthros Reader:**

Marina Arvanitis

**Coffee Hour:**

Edith Tikoff & Pat Cole

**Memorial:**

George Varygiannes 6 months  
May His Memory Be Eternal

## Communion Guidelines:

As a reminder, only Baptized and Chrismated Orthodox Christians may receive Holy Communion. Follow the Ushers row by row and please exit towards the outside aisles.



## Procession of the Precious Cross

Because of the many diseases that occur in the month of August, the custom prevailed of old in Constantinople to carry the precious Wood of the Cross in procession throughout the city for its sanctification and its deliverance from illnesses. It was brought forth from the imperial treasury on the last day of July and placed upon the Holy Table of the Great Church of the Holy Wisdom; and beginning today, until the Dormition of the Theotokos, it was carried in procession throughout the city and was set forth for veneration before the people.

# Hymns of the Day After the Small Entrance

## Resurrectional Apolytikion

Plagal of the 1<sup>st</sup> Tone

**E**ternal with the Father and the Spirit is the Word, Who was begotten of the Virgin for our salvation. As the faithful, we both praise and worship Him; for He consented to ascend the cross in the flesh and to endure death. Thus He raised the dead unto life through His all glorious resurrection.

## Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον

Ἦχος πλ. α΄

**Τ**ὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτ᾽ ἠυδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

## Apolytikion for Proodos of the Holy Cross

1<sup>st</sup> Tone

Save, O Lord, Thy people and bless Thine inheritance; grant Thou unto the faithful victory over adversaries. And by the power of Thy Cross do Thou preserve Thy commonwealth.

## Ἀπολυτίκιον

Ἦχος α΄

Σώσον Κύριε τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς Βασιλεύσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος καὶ τό σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

## Apolytikion for the Church

1<sup>st</sup> Tone

**Y**our proclamation went forth into all the earth, for it accepted your word, through which you taught the dogmas befitting God, you expounded on the nature of all that is, and you arranged the morals of society. A royal priesthood! Devout father Basil, intercede with Christ our God, to grant us His great mercy.

## Ἀπολυτίκιον τοῦ Ναοῦ

Ἦχος α΄

**Εἰς** πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν ἐξῆλθεν ὁ φθόγγος σου, ὡς δεξαμένην τὸν λόγον σου, δι' οὗ θεοπρεπῶς ἐδογματίσας, τὴν φύσιν τῶν ὄντων ἐτράνωσας, τὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἦθη κατεκόσμησας, Βασίλειον Ἱεράτευμα, Πάτερ Ὅσιε, Χριστὸν τὸν Θεὸν ἰκέτευε, δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

## Kontakion

4<sup>th</sup> Tone

Lifted up on the Cross by Your free will, Christ God, grant mercies to the new commonwealth that bears Your name. Gladden our faithful rulers by Your power, giving them victories over their adversaries. May Your alliance be for them a weapon for peace, an invincible standard.

## Κοντάκιον

Ἦχος δ΄

**Ο** υψωθείς ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ ἐκουσίως, τῇ ἐπωνύμῳ σου καινῇ πολιτείᾳ, τοὺς οἰκτιρμούς σου δώρησαι, Χριστέ ο Θεός, Εὐφρανὸν ἐν τῇ δυνάμει σου, τοὺς πιστοὺς Βασιλεῖς ἡμῶν, νίκας χορηγῶν αὐτοῖς, κατὰ τῶν πολεμίων, τὴν συμμαχίαν ἔχοιεν τὴν σὴν, ὅπλον εἰρήνης, ἀήττητον τρόπαιον.



## Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ / THE EPISTLE

**The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:6-14**

**Πρὸς Ῥωμαίους 12:6-14  
τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα**

Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

Ἀδελφοί, ἔχοντες δὲ χαρίσματα κατὰ τὴν χάριν τὴν δοθεῖσαν ἡμῖν διάφορα, εἴτε προφητείαν, κατὰ τὴν ἀναλογίαν τῆς πίστεως· εἴτε διακονίαν, ἐν τῇ διακονίᾳ· εἴτε ὁ διδάσκων, ἐν τῇ διδασκαλίᾳ· εἴτε ὁ παρακαλῶν, ἐν τῇ παρακλήσει· ὁ μεταδιδούς, ἐν ἀπλότητι· ὁ προϊστάμενος, ἐν σπουδῇ· ὁ ἐλεῶν, ἐν ἰλαρότητι. Ἡ ἀγάπη ἀνυπόκριτος. Ἀποστυγοῦντες τὸ πονηρόν, κολλώμενοι τῷ ἀγαθῷ. Τῇ φιλαδελφίᾳ εἰς ἀλλήλους φιλόστοργοι· τῇ τιμῇ ἀλλήλους προηγούμενοι· τῇ σπουδῇ μὴ ὀκνηροί· τῷ πνεύματι ζέοντες· τῷ κυρίῳ δουλεύοντες· τῇ ἐλπίδι χαίροντες· τῇ θλίψει ὑπομένοντες· τῇ προσευχῇ προσκαρτεροῦντες· ταῖς χρείαις τῶν ἁγίων κοινωνοῦντες· τὴν φιλοξενίαν διώκοντες. Εὐλογεῖτε τοὺς διώκοντας ὑμᾶς· εὐλογεῖτε, καὶ μὴ καταρᾶσθε.



## ΤΟ ΘΕΙΟΝ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ / THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Gospel According to  
Matthew 9:1-8

At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say 'Rise and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" he then said to the paralytic -- "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 9:1-8  
Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐμβὰς εἰς πλοῖον διεπέρασε καὶ ἦλθεν εἰς τὴν ἰδίαν πόλιν. Καὶ ἰδὸν προσέφερον αὐτῷ παραλυτικὸν ἐπὶ κλίνης βεβλημένον· καὶ ἰδὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὴν πίστιν αὐτῶν εἶπε τῷ παραλυτικῷ· θάρσει, τέκνον· ἀφέωνταί σοι αἱ ἁμαρτίαι σου. καὶ ἰδού τινες τῶν γραμματέων εἶπον ἐν ἑαυτοῖς· οὗτος βλασφημεῖ. καὶ ἰδὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὰς ἐνθυμήσεις αὐτῶν εἶπεν· ἵνα τί ὑμεῖς ἐνθυμεῖσθε πονηρὰ ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ὑμῶν; τί γάρ ἐστιν εὐκοπώτερον, εἰπεῖν, ἀφέωνταί σου αἱ ἁμαρτίαι, ἢ εἰπεῖν, ἔγειρε καὶ περιπάτει; ἵνα δὲ εἰδῆτε ὅτι ἐξουσίαν ἔχει ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἀφιέναι ἁμαρτίας - τότε λέγει τῷ παραλυτικῷ· ἐγερθεὶς ἄρῃ σου τὴν κλίνην καὶ ὑπάγε εἰς τὸν οἶκόν σου. καὶ ἐγερθεὶς ἀπῆλθεν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ. ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ ὄχλοι ἐθαύμασαν καὶ ἐδόξασαν τὸν Θεὸν τὸν δόντα ἐξουσίαν τοιαύτην τοῖς ἀνθρώποις.



# CLOTHING DRIVE - BUSINESS CASUAL



The Pacific Garden Mission has been providing safe shelter and hot meals to Chicago's homeless, while preaching the Gospel, 365 days a year since 1877.

The mission's New Life program provides participants with tools to rebuild their lives and find permanent housing. Gaining employment is part of this rebuilding.

Let's help these men and women by donating new and gently used business casual clothes for interviews for the job that will help lift them out of poverty.

Large and extra-large sizes most needed. But all sizes are needed and appreciated.

Men's sports jackets, suits, dress shirts, neckties

Women's blazers, dress blouses and shirts

Please bring your donation no later than Sunday, August 1.

This is our fourth clothing drive for PGM. Your generosity has made a difference for the desperate men and women who turn to them for help.

- Ladies Philoptochos

New Life Graduates

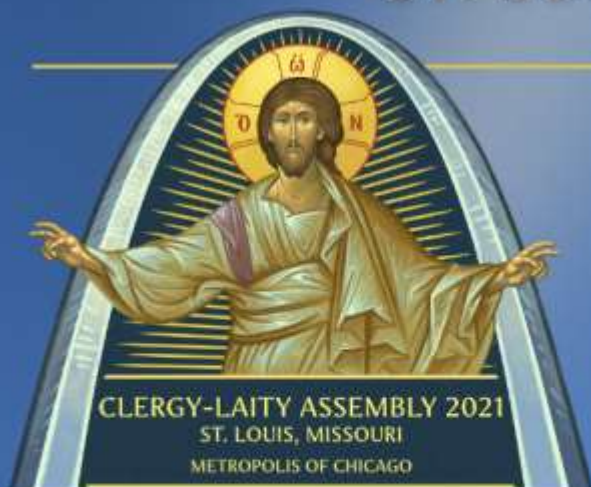


METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO

# CLERGY-LAITY ASSEMBLY

**OCTOBER 7 - 10, 2021**

Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark  
**ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI**



## HOST PARISHES

St. Nicholas in St. Louis, MO  
and SS. Constantine & Helen  
in Swansea, IL

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# Calendar for the Weeks Ahead

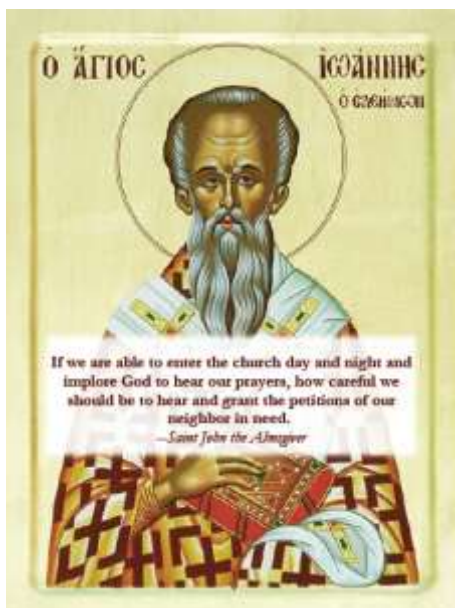
- **Sunday, August 1, 8:15am - Orthros and Divine Liturgy for 6th Sunday of Matthew**
  - Monday, August 2, 5:30pm - Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary
  - Monday, August 2, 7:00pm - Parish Council Meeting
  - Tuesday, August 3, 5:30pm - Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary
  - Wednesday, August 4, 5:30pm - Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary
- Thursday, August 5, 7:00pm - "Great Vespers for Transfiguration of our Lord (Harvard, IL Monastery)"
  - Friday, August 6, 6:30am - Divine Liturgy for Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ
  - Friday, August 6, 8:30am - Orthros and Divine Liturgy for Transfiguration of our Lord
- **Sunday, August 8, 8:15am - Orthros and Divine Liturgy for 7th Sunday of Matthew**
  - Tuesday, August 10, 5:30pm - Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary
  - Wednesday, August 11, 5:30pm - Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary
  - Thursday, August 12, 5:30pm - Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary
  - Friday, August 13, 5:30pm - Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary
- Saturday, August 14, 5:30pm - Great Vespers for Assumption of Virgin Mary (at Chicago-area parishes)
- **Sunday, August 15, 8:15am - Orthros and Divine Liturgy for The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary**

## Parish News and Events

### St. John the Almsgiver Ministry

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### We need your help - You Might be Missing Out

We have started a weekly St. Basil E-Bulletin - which goes out early each week and for some of you, this email is going into "spam" or "trash". Please take a look at your spam and trash files and if you see it there, with most servers there's a button you can push to stop it's going into trash/spam. Or, enter [stbasilchicago@comcast.net](mailto:stbasilchicago@comcast.net) into your email contacts list. Thanks!

**Books for Prisoners** - Many inmates with whom we correspond through the prison ministry request books to read. Topics include self-help, vocational training, orthodoxy, history, and fiction. If you can make a small donation to defray the cost of purchasing and sending books, please see Vicky in the church office. Any size donation is appreciated.

### Stewardship - Have You Become A Steward For 2021?

If not, know that everything we have is God's and we are just managers during this brief life. Become a steward today. "He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God" (2 Cor. 9:10-11).



## St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy for 6th Sunday of Matthew 6:00 pm Paraklisis Service 6:00 pm Paraklisis Service	<b>2</b> 5:30 pm Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Parish Council	<b>3</b> 5:30 pm Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>4</b> 5:30 pm Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>5</b> 7:00 pm *Great Vespers for Transfiguration of our Lord Monastery (at Harvard, IL monas- tery)*	<b>6</b> 6:30 am Dimitri Early Morning Divine Liturgy for Transfigura- tion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ 8:30 am *Orthros and Divine Liturgy for Transfigura- tion of our Lord*	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy for 7th Sunday of Matthew	<b>9</b> 5:30 pm Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>10</b> 5:30 pm Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>11</b> 5:30 pm Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>12</b> 5:30 pm Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>13</b> 5:30 pm Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>14</b> 7:00 pm *Great Vespers for Assumption of Virgin Mary (at Chicago-area parishes)*
<b>15</b> 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy for The Dormi- tion of our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy for 9th Sunday of Matthew	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 5:30 pm Sunday School Registration Paraklisis to the Virgin Mary	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 8:15 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy for the Be- heading of the Holy and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Bap- tist John	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 7:00 pm Great Vespers of the Indiction				



# Coffee Hour **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

*"My cup overflows with your blessings."*  
PSALM 23:5

Do you want to celebrate a loved one?

- ◊ Birthday
- ◊ Nameday
- ◊ Anniversary
- ◊ Memorial

## Offer a Coffee Hour at St. Basil!

Click the Link to volunteer!



# SAVE THE DATE

## AUG. 18, 2021

### St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church Golf Outing



Odyssey Country Club  
19110 S Ridgeland Ave.  
Tinley Park, IL

#### **\$135 Includes:**

18 Holes of Golf  
Breakfast  
Lunch  
Dinner  
Open Bar

#### **\$60 Includes:**

Dinner  
Open Bar



## Matthew 25:35-36 - The Last Judgment

**For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink:**

Please donate food for the needy.

**I was a stranger, and you took me in:**

Please welcome our Catechumens and Guests

**Naked, and you clothed me:**

Please consider donating clothes to the local shelter.

**I was sick, and you visited me:**

Please pray for the speedy recovery of: (Send the names of those you wish prayed for)

**I was in prison, and you came unto me:**

**Please pray for:** Alan, Alfredo, Andrew, Anthony, Arthur, Bryant, Calvin, Choice, Clarence, Coery, Darron, David, Deshaun, Devon, Dolen, Donald, Eddie, Eddie, Edwin, Eugene, Freddie, Henry, James, James, Jerry, Jerry, John, Jose, Joseph, Karl, Kerwinn, Lakeisha, Lendie, Mario, Michael, Michael, Monte, Parrish, Patrice, Ralph, Robert, Robert, Roberto, Ryan, Scott, Patrick Michael, Seneca, Shawn, Terrell, Timothy, Wendell, Willie  
**Please pray for and consider visiting our shut-ins. Please also see Pat Cole to see about writing Letters to those Incarcerated through our prison ministry. It means the world to them to receive love.**



## VISITATION POLICY

If you would like Fr. Dimitri to visit you in the hospital, please call him or have a family member call. Fr. Dimitri will not go unless he is asked by the family. This is in compliance with both HIPAA and patient privacy.

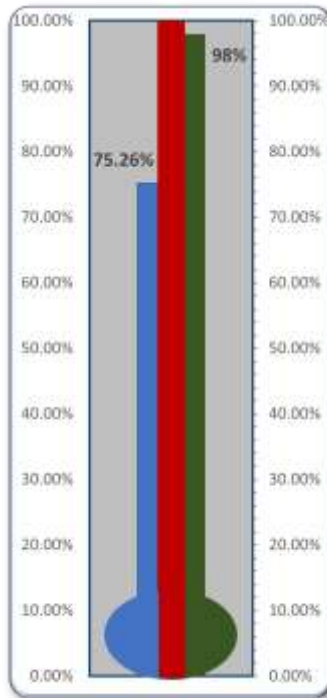
## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**Remember this: The person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously. Each person should do as he has decided in his heart—not reluctantly or out of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver. – 2 Corinthians 9:6-7**

### STEWARD GOAL

143 Stewards YTD  
% of Goal: **75.26%**

101 Stewards Engaged in  
Ministries  
% of Goal: **71.63%**



### PLEDGE GOAL

**\$192,159.00 Pledged YTD**  
% of Goal: **98%**

Operational Expenses  
**\$317,700 (860 per day 2021)**

Average Pledge  
**\$1362.82**



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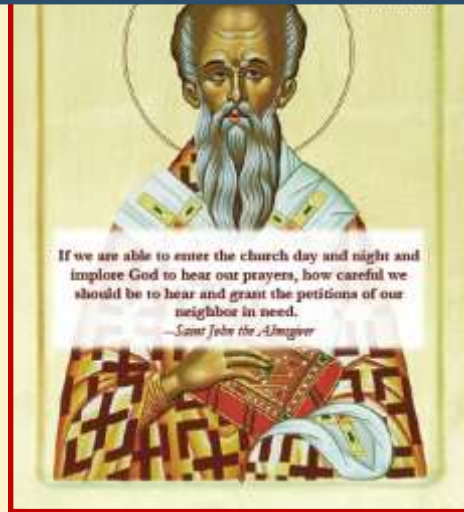


**It's that time of year to get your clubs out  
and join Metropolitan Nathanael on the  
golf course!**

All clergy, stewards, families, friends, young adults, and youth are invited to the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago's 3rd Annual Golf Outing, benefiting the Metropolis' **Mustard Seed Fund** , at the Arrowhead Golf Club in Wheaton, Illinois on **Thursday, September 23, 2021 !**



## Parish Outreach



### St. John the Almsgiver Ministry

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**1. Purchase the items we currently need from our [AmazonSmile wishlist](#). Whatever you purchase will be shipped directly to St. Basil.**

- Cloth COVID-19 mask
- 1 winter item (hat, gloves, scarf, etc.)
- 1 long-under wear set
- 2 pairs of single-use warmers (foot and body)
- 1 pair of white tube socks
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 tube of toothpaste
- 1 comb
- 6 Band-Aids
- 3 antimicrobial hand wipes
- 1 bottle of water
- 1 granola bar
- 1 gift card (Jewel \$10)

**2. We are always in need of \$10 Jewel-Osco cards. To purchase these, you can [call or email Jewel-Osco](#) and have the cards mailed to St. Basil (733 S Ashland Ave, Chicago 60607). If you're physically coming to church, you can also drop off gift cards with Mrs. Vicky Crosby.**

# Metropolis Outreach



## CARE KITS

In a one-gallon Ziploc bag include:

- Toothbrush + Paste
- Sanitary Wipes
- Body Soap
- Deodorant
- Feminine Products
- Water
- Granola Bar

## WINTER KITS

In a one-gallon Ziploc bag include:

- Toothbrush + Paste
- Body Soap
- Deodorant
- Handwarmers
- Winter Gloves
- Socks
- Winter Hats



**H O P E**  
Humanitarian Outreach & Philanthropic Engagement

## DINNER BAGS

In a large reusable or paper bag include:

- Pasta/Rice/Lentils – 2lbs.
- Instant Potatoes – 1 box
- Cereal/Oatmeal – 1box
- Crackers – 1 box
- Broth – 32 oz.

Canned Vegetables – 2 cans

Canned Meat/Fish or Beans – 2 cans

Peanut Butter – 16 oz.

Fruit Jam – 18 oz.

Pasta Sauce – 16 oz.

Cooking Oil – 24 oz.

Nuts/Granola Bars – 1 pack

Canned Soup/Chili – optional

Powdered Milk - optional

**Drop off assembled kits to St. Basil  
Greek Orthodox Church  
on Sundays 9am –12pm.**

**This is an ongoing Metropolis Outreach Project**



Inspired by the impact of the COVID-19 Parish Relief Fund established during the pandemic, the Metropolis of Chicago announced today the establishment of a new parish advancement initiative – **the Mustard Seed Fund** – to help drive parish growth through evangelism, welcoming, and outreach.

The Mustard Seed Fund seeks to replicate the successful model of the COVID-19 Parish Relief Fund, which raised more than \$250,000 for financial assistance to parishes facing economic hardship caused by the pandemic.

To support its objectives and development, the Metropolis of Chicago will seed the new fund with an initial distribution of \$25,000 and will launch and sustain a grassroots fundraising campaign to raise additional donations.

[Learn More](#)

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